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### **March 2003 Rice Update**

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#### **Report Highlights:**

**U.S. suppliers won the first 2003 rice tender for 5,000 tons. The second tender for 6,000 tons is expected in April. There are a total of ten tenders planned for 2003, for a total of 94,068 tons (brown rice basis).**

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## First Tender Results and 2003 Tender Schedule

A U.S. supplier won the first 2003 rice tender for 5,000 tons. The second tender of 6,000 tons is expected in April. A total of 94,068 (brown rice basis) will be purchased by the Council of Agriculture.

Taiwan announced the 2003 public rice tender schedule with ten tenders planned between March and December 2003. However, the actual tenders are running a month behind schedule. To qualify as a bidder, firms must be registered with COA as food grain dealers, registered in Taiwan as a legal firm and registered with the Board of Foreign Trade (BOFT) as importer/exporters.

## Tentative Schedule for 2003 Public Rice Tenders

Tender	Quantity (Brown rice, MT)	Bidding Date	Delivery Date	Delivery Terms
1 <sup>st</sup>	5,000	Jan~ Feb, '03 /1	Apr~ May, '03	100 days
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6,000	Mar, '03	May~ Jun., '03	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	10,000	Apr, '03	Jun~ Jul, '03	
4 <sup>th</sup>	10,000	May, '03	Jul~ Aug, '03	
5 <sup>th</sup>	10,000	Jun, '03	Aug~ Sep, '03	
6 <sup>th</sup>	13,000	Jul, '03	Sep~ Oct, '03	
7 <sup>th</sup>	10,000	Aug, '03	Oct~ Nov, '03	
	10,000			
8 <sup>th</sup>	10,000	Sep, '03	Nov.~ Dec, '03	
	10,068			
<b>Total</b>	<b>94,068</b>			

Notes:1 - First tender already began behind schedule in early mid-March